

273. *Resolved*, That any member of a Subordinate Lodge who shall apply for a dimit, it shall be granted him upon producing the Secretary's receipt that he has paid all lodge dues, if there be no charges against him. *Provided*, That any Mason who thus becomes non-affiliated, by his action distinctly releases all members of lodges from any and all Masonic ties between himself and them, retaining no Masonic right except that of petitioning any lodge for membership. (1874. Res. 44.)

274. In the case from ——— Lodge, we find that a brother was tried by a committee of his lodge, whose investigation was conducted with open doors, and in the presence of the profane, and without further trial by said lodge, was suspended.

We furthermore find that he immediately craved an appeal, which was denied him. We, therefore, recommend that said alleged trial be declared null and void, and, for this and other matters disclosed upon the investigation, that the Grand Master be directed to call on said lodge to show cause, within sixty days, why their charter should not be forfeited. (1874. Rep. 47.)

275. In the case from ——— Lodge, a brother charged with Unmasonic conduct in slandering a brother Mason, we recommend the sentence of expulsion be affirmed; but as the parties have amicably settled and compromised their difficulty satisfactorily to themselves and the lodge, your Committee would recommend to said lodge to restore the brother to membership in the lodge. (1874. Rep. 49.)

276. In the case from ———, against a brother charged with Unmasonic conduct, who was expelled, we recommend that it be sent back to the lodge for a new trial, as it appears that no ballot was taken on the charges and specifications as to guilty or not guilty, but that the brother was expelled without being convicted. (1874. Rep. 49.)

277. In the case from ——— Lodge, where the brother was indefinitely suspended, we recommend it be not con-